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OXICART WEEKLY REVIEW

For Period 17 - 30 November 1961

1. Meetings and Contacts:

a. On 20 November the DD/P, Messrs. Kiefer, [redacted] and [redacted] visited Eastman Kodak. Eastman discussed their future personal requirements for the processing facility, the need for an early decision regarding additional OXCART camera procurement and the desirability of consolidating film processing contracts into one over-all contractual arrangement. Eastman is to forward data to Headquarters pertaining to the foregoing. Messrs. [redacted] submitted a paper [redacted] to the DD/P concerning Eastman work loads, and a recommendation that the Eastman processing facility be funded under a single contract.

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[redacted] met with [redacted] of Eastman who expressed some concern over the V/H sensor being provided Eastman by Perkin-Elmer. [redacted] will submit a paper to Headquarters outlining the problem.

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b. On 20 November [redacted] scheduled for assignment to [redacted] received detailed OXCART briefings by the various IFO staffs and met the following day with the DD/P.

c. [redacted] visited [redacted] and Lockheed and submitted a report (OXO-2723) concerning his observations, copy of which has been sent to the DD/P.

d. On 22 November Messrs. Simpson and Rifenbark from the Wright Field Propulsion Laboratory visited Headquarters and met with Messrs. Kiefer, [redacted] and Parangosky for the purpose of comparing notes on J-58/J-93 engine status and 50-150 hour engine qualification philosophy. A report will be prepared for the DD/P.

e. On 24 November Headquarters concurred in Lockheed's recommendation to manage and perform the Inertial Guidance System flight test program in a U-2 aircraft.

f. [redacted] of DPC and Lt. Col. Wilson of AFICG-5 met with [redacted] on 27 November to discuss delivery of initial quantities of PW-523 fuel to [redacted] will be the carrier as they are [redacted] and have drivers holding "C" clearances. [redacted] tank farm will be completed and flushed by 17 December and 250,000 gallons of fuel delivered to [redacted] shortly thereafter.

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g. On 27 November, Col. Geary's office negotiated with TAC to acquire a C-123 aircraft for flight testing Perkin-Elmer's camera. The aircraft will be sent TDY to Burbank for modification and then returned to Perkin-Elmer for flight tests.

h. [] visited Edwards AFB and Burbank on 27-29 November. While at Edwards he was to check into recent sonic boom test data and check on runway barriers, the latter on behalf of [] of Lockheed. A trip report will be submitted to the DD/P on [] return to Headquarters.

i. On 27 November [] visited Headquarters for the purpose of discussing and finalising plans for the 60 foot dish and related control center requirements [] also reviewed the status of the [] system []

j. On 27 November Mr. Kiefer interviewed [] concerning a possible photographic assignment with EPD. Mr. Kiefer feels that the limited amount of time [] has available and possible conflict of interest problems preclude his use by EPD.

k. On 27 November, Col. Geary reported that Mr. Gilpatric, Deputy Secretary of Defense approved an Air Force proposal for the procurement of five A-12 aircraft. Col. Geary will pass additional information and details to EPD concerning this matter upon his return from a West Coast trip. Col. Geary also stated that Mr. Gilpatric raised questions about B-12 aircraft and that an Air Force position paper was prepared for submission to Mr. Gilpatric.

1. Pratt & Whitney engine status report as of 28 November:

(1) Engine running time accumulation for period 15-28 November:

Total time	42 hours
Afterburner	5 hours
B-30 engine	42 hours
Hot inlet	0
Hot turbine	0

(2) Specified Y-engine sea level take-off thrust of 32,500 lbs. probably will not be attainable by June 1962. A likely compromise will be 30,000 lbs.

m. On 29 November [] was interviewed concerning a photographic assignment with the Development Branch of EPD. He appears to be well qualified and experienced for the job. The Chief, [] is being queried on 30 November concerning [] availability for transfer to EPD.

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h. [] has been transferred to the Development Branch, DED, as a replacement for [] who is returning to [] will occupy the Electronics Officer slot in the Development Branch.

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i. On 29 November Mr. Kiefer reviewed with [] the J-58 engine status and problems. As a result [] departed for West Palm Beach to have a personal look at the situation.

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j. On 29 November, [] of Pratt & Whitney visited Messrs. Parangosky and [] briefly.

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k. On 29 November, the DD/P signed a letter to Pratt & Whitney concerning the J-58 engine which requested that Pratt & Whitney give consideration to transferring the main portion of the engine development program to East Hartford. The letter will be hand-carried to []

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l. On 30 November, [] will return to Headquarters to attend the Development Branch meeting with the DD/P. A report concerning his observations since submission of a 21 November report will be prepared.

m. The OXCART suppliers' meeting date has been changed from 11 to 12 December.

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n. On 29 November, Mr. Cunningham called [] Special Assistant to Dr. Wiesner, concerning the OXCART [] paper. [] hopes to handle the matter momentarily.

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o. Gen. Cabell signed, for the DCI, the paper requesting approval to employ [] as a consultant.

2. Agenda for Development Branch meeting with DD/P, 30 November:

a. J-75 engines for Aircraft #2 - []

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b. Review in detail of [] observations concerning J-58/J-93 engine status and 50-150 hour engine qualification philosophy. (Following this meeting a paper will be prepared devoted to recommendations for a J-58 engine qualification hours and funding.)

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3. Decisions Pending, Action Requested by 12 December:

a. Procurement of two camera systems from Eastman Kodak.

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b. Decision on whether or not to approve Plan I, II, or III of Pratt and Whitney's proposals concerning the addition of J-58 engines to the development program.

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